

In the claims:

For the Examiner's convenience, all pending claims are presented below with changes shown in accordance with the mandatory amendment format.

1. (Currently Amended) A decoding process comprising:

scaling a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing a look-up table (LUT) using the index, wherein the index is based on a quantization parameter, a size of the block of coefficients, and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

applying a transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information;

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

2. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 1 wherein the index is the sum of the quantization parameter and a first value determined by block size of the block of coefficients and the position of said each coefficient within the block.
3. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 2 wherein the first value is the sum of a second value determined by the vertical size of the block and the vertical position of said each coefficient within the block and a third value determined by the horizontal size of the block and the horizontal position of said each coefficient within the block.
4. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 3 wherein the block size is one selected from a group that consists of 4x4, 4x8, 8x4 and 8x8.

5. (Canceled)
6. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 1 further comprising:
determining an offset of an array according to the position of said each coefficient;
determining an inverse quantization value for said each coefficient based on the offset.
7. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 6 wherein entries of the array are of a form $\text{pow}(2, (k+O)/12)$, where k represents a position of an individual entry in the array and O is a constant.
8. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 6 wherein the array is a 1-dimensional (1-D).
9. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 1 wherein applying a transform to the block of scaled coefficients comprises:
applying a vertical transform to the block of scaled coefficients; and
applying a horizontal transform to block of scaled coefficients.
10. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 1 wherein the basis vectors of the transform are:

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12/8	10/8	6/8	3/8	-3/8	-6/8	-10/8	-12/8
1	1/2	-1/2	-1	-1	-1/2	1/2	1
10/8	-3/8	-12/8	-6/8	6/8	12/8	3/8	-10/8
1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1
6/8	-12/8	3/8	10/8	-10/8	-3/8	12/8	-6/8

1/2	-1	1	-1/2	-1/2	1	-1	1/2
3/8	-6/8	10/8	-12/8	12/8	-10/8	6/8	-3/8

and represent an 8-point transform used for blocks that have one or both of horizontal and vertical size of 8.

11. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 1 wherein applying the transform to the block of scaled coefficients comprises computing the transform using only a sequence of addition, subtraction, and shift operations.

12. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 1 wherein the block size is one selected from a group that consists of 4x4, 4x8, 8x4 and 8x8.

13. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented decoder comprising:

a look-up table (LUT);

an inverse quantizer to scale a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing the LUT using the index, wherein the index is based on a quantization parameter, a size of the block of coefficients, and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

an inverse transform unit to applying a transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information;

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

14. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 13 wherein the index is the sum of the quantization parameter and a first value determined by block size of the block of coefficients and the position of said each coefficient within the block.

15. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 14 wherein the first value is the sum of a second value determined by the vertical size of the block and the vertical position of said each coefficient within the block and a third value determined by the horizontal size of the block and the horizontal position of said each coefficient within the block.
16. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 15 wherein the block size is one selected from a group that consists of 4x4, 4x8, 8x4 and 8x8.
17. (Canceled)
18. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 13 wherein the inverse quantizer scales a block of coefficients using a scaling factor by
- determining an offset of an array according to the position of said each coefficient;
 - determining an inverse quantization value for said each coefficient based on the offset.
19. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 18 wherein entries of the array are of a form $\text{pow}(2, (k+O)/12)$, where k represents a position of an individual entry in the array and O is a constant.
20. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 18 wherein the array is a 1-dimensional (1-D).
21. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 13 wherein the transform unit applies the transform to the block of scaled coefficients by
- applying a vertical transform to the block of scaled coefficients; and
 - applying a horizontal transform to block of scaled coefficients.

22. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 13 wherein the basis vectors of the transform are:

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12/8	10/8	6/8	3/8	-3/8	-6/8	-10/8	-12/8
1	1/2	-1/2	-1	-1	-1/2	1/2	1
10/8	-3/8	-12/8	-6/8	6/8	12/8	3/8	-10/8
1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1
6/8	-12/8	3/8	10/8	-10/8	-3/8	12/8	-6/8
1/2	-1	1	-1/2	-1/2	1	-1	1/2
3/8	-6/8	10/8	-12/8	12/8	-10/8	6/8	-3/8

and represent an 8-point transform used for blocks that have one or both of horizontal and vertical size of 8.

23. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 13 wherein the transform unit computes the transform using only a sequence of addition, subtraction, and shift operations.

24. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 13 wherein the block size is one selected from a group that consists of 4x4, 4x8, 8x4 and 8x8.

25. (Currently Amended) An article of manufacture comprising one or more computer-readable medium ~~recordable media~~ storing instructions which, when executed by a system, cause the system to:

scale a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing a look-up table (LUT) using the index, wherein the index is based on a quantization

parameter, a size of the block of coefficients, and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

apply a transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information;

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

26. (Original) The article of manufacture defined in Claim 25 wherein the index is the sum of the quantization parameter and a first value determined by block size of the block of coefficients and the position of said each coefficient within the block.

27. (Original) The article of manufacture defined in Claim 26 wherein the first value is the sum of a second value determined by the vertical size of the block and the vertical position of said each coefficient within the block and a third value determined by the horizontal size of the block and the horizontal position of said each coefficient within the block.

28. (Original) The article of manufacture defined in Claim 25 wherein the block size is one selected from a group that consists of 4x4, 4x8, 8x4 and 8x8.

29. (Canceled)

30. (Currently Amended) A decoding apparatus comprising:

means for scaling a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing a look-up table (LUT) using the index, wherein the index is based

on a quantization parameter, a size of the block of coefficients, and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

means for applying a transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information;

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

31. (Currently Amended) A decoding process comprising:

scaling a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing a look-up table (LUT) using the index, wherein the index is based on a quantization parameter and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

applying a vertical transform and a horizontal transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information, wherein basis vectors of the vertical and horizontal transforms are

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12/8	10/8	6/8	3/8	-3/8	-6/8	-10/8	-12/8
1	1/2	-1/2	-1	-1	-1/2	1/2	1
10/8	-3/8	-12/8	-6/8	6/8	12/8	3/8	-10/8
1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1
6/8	-12/8	3/8	10/8	-10/8	-3/8	12/8	-6/8
1/2	-1	1	-1/2	-1/2	1	-1	1/2
3/8	-6/8	10/8	-12/8	12/8	-10/8	6/8	-3/8,

or multiples thereof; and

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

32. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 31 wherein the index is a sum of the quantization parameter, a first value determined by a vertical position of said each coefficient within the block and a second value determined by a horizontal position of said each coefficient within the block.

33. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 31 wherein applying the transform comprises computing the transform using only a sequence of addition, subtraction and shift operations.

34. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 31 wherein the block size is one selected from a group that consists of 4x4, 4x8, 8x4 and 8x8.

35. (Canceled)

36. (Original) The decoding process defined in Claim 31 wherein applying a transform to the block of scaled coefficients comprises:

applying a vertical transform to the block of scaled coefficients; and

applying a horizontal transform to block of scaled coefficients.

37. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented decoder comprising:

an inverse quantizer to scale a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing a look-up table (LUT) using the index, wherein the index is based on a quantization parameter and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

an inverse transform to apply a vertical transform and a horizontal transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information, wherein basis vectors of the vertical and horizontal transforms are

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12/8	10/8	6/8	3/8	-3/8	-6/8	-10/8	-12/8
1	1/2	-1/2	-1	-1	-1/2	1/2	1
10/8	-3/8	-12/8	-6/8	6/8	12/8	3/8	-10/8
1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1
6/8	-12/8	3/8	10/8	-10/8	-3/8	12/8	-6/8
1/2	-1	1	-1/2	-1/2	1	-1	1/2
3/8	-6/8	10/8	-12/8	12/8	-10/8	6/8	-3/8,

or multiples thereof; and

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

38. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 37 wherein the index is a sum of the quantization parameter, a first value determined by a vertical position of said each coefficient within the block and a second value determined by a horizontal position of said each coefficient within the block.

39. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 37 wherein applying the transform comprises computing the transform using only a sequence of addition, subtraction and shift operations.

40. (Original) The decoder defined in Claim 37 wherein applying a transform to the block of scaled coefficients comprises:

applying a vertical transform to the block of scaled coefficients; and

applying a horizontal transform to block of scaled coefficients.

41. (Currently Amended) An article of manufacture comprising one or more computer-readable medium ~~recordable media~~ storing instructions which, when executed by a system, cause the system to:

scale a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing a look-up table (LUT) using the index, wherein the index is based on a quantization parameter and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

apply a vertical transform and a horizontal transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information, wherein basis vectors of the vertical and horizontal transforms are

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12/8	10/8	6/8	3/8	-3/8	-6/8	-10/8	-12/8
1	1/2	-1/2	-1	-1	-1/2	1/2	1
10/8	-3/8	-12/8	-6/8	6/8	12/8	3/8	-10/8
1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1
6/8	-12/8	3/8	10/8	-10/8	-3/8	12/8	-6/8
1/2	-1	1	-1/2	-1/2	1	-1	1/2
3/8	-6/8	10/8	-12/8	12/8	-10/8	6/8	-3/8,

or multiples thereof; and

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

42. (Original) The article of manufacture defined in Claim 41 wherein the index is a sum of the quantization parameter, a first value determined by a vertical position of said each coefficient within the block and a second value determined by a horizontal position of said each coefficient within the block.

43. (Original) The article of manufacture defined in Claim 41 wherein instructions to cause the system to apply the transform comprise instructions which, when executed by the system, cause the system to compute the transform using only a sequence of addition, subtraction and shift operations.

44. (Original) The article of manufacture defined in Claim 5415 wherein instructions to cause the system to apply the transform to the block of scaled coefficients comprise instructions which, when executed by the system, cause the system to:

apply a vertical transform to the block of scaled coefficients; and

apply a horizontal transform to block of scaled coefficients.

45. (Currently Amended) A decoder comprising:

means for scaling a block of coefficients that represents a block of information using a scaling factor determined for each coefficient by computing an index for said each coefficient and indexing a look-up table (LUT) using the index, wherein the index is based on a quantization parameter and a position of said each coefficient within the block; and

means for applying a vertical transform and a horizontal transform to the block of scaled coefficients in order to decode the block of information, wherein basis vectors of the vertical and horizontal transforms are

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12/8	10/8	6/8	3/8	-3/8	-6/8	-10/8	-12/8

1	1/2	-1/2	-1	-1	-1/2	1/2	1
10/8	-3/8	-12/8	-6/8	6/8	12/8	3/8	-10/8
1	-1	-1	1	1	-1	-1	1
6/8	-12/8	3/8	10/8	-10/8	-3/8	12/8	-6/8
1/2	-1	1	-1/2	-1/2	1	-1	1/2
3/8	-6/8	10/8	-12/8	12/8	-10/8	6/8	-3/8,

or multiples thereof; and

wherein the LUT is used independently of the block size, such that the LUT supports the transform being for one of a plurality of block sizes.

46.-64. (Canceled)